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NOSHE President

NOSHE Scholarship Update:

The NOSHE Scholarship is pleased to announce that scholarships will be awarded to two excellent candidates in 2013.

The NOSHE scholarship selection committee considered the following criteria in selecting winners and weighted this criteria accordingly:

- * Academic performance: 40%
- * Quality of essay on future plans and scholarship interest: 25%
- * Recommendation of faculty advisor: 20%
- * Extracurricular activities: 15%

We are always amazed at the great focus and drive of local "young professionals in development" and applaud all applicants.

The winners of the 2013 NOSHE Scholarship awards are as follows:

Edwin M. Fumich. Edwin attends Bowling Green University and is pursuing a career in the Construction Management field. He has had some success in developing solution concepts for handicapped access design for the healthcare setting
Emily Slovan is currently attending the University of Akron in the field of Biomedical Engineering. Emily has special interest in Technology, Math, Science in the hopes of pursuing Infection Control solutions.

Please welcome these two exceptional students to the NOSHE family.

ASHE Advocacy:

Goal of NOSHE Advocacy:

Support the NOSHE local and the ASHE National Advocacy Highway, the two-way means of communication between NOSHE advocacy leaders and advocacy liaisons in state and local ASHE-affiliated chapters

NOSHE Advocacy Contacts: Tom Whitehead and Larry Rubin

The Advocacy Highway has been established by ASHE originally and is NOSHE's affiliated response to a proliferation of health care regulations that may have confusing and contradictory provisions, which sometimes lead to confusing and contradictory interpretations and implementation in health care facilities. The Advocacy Highway is a two-way communications network between NOSHE staff and NOSHE members, NOSHE Advocacy liaisons, and other health professionals with regulatory issues. The exchange of this vital information is essential to ensure that existing and proposed health care regulations are arrived at through a consensus of all interested parties, and that these regulations achieve the desired objective of effectively providing safe facilities without overburdening facilities with costly regulations that do not provide added levels of safety.

ASHE sends notice of new or impending regulations or their interpretations to ASHE members and the advocacy liaisons from each ASHE Chapter, who can distribute the information to their chapter members. In addition, ASHE will use this information in national code reform initiatives as validation of contradictory and/or confusing regulations.

The Advocacy Highway has a goal as being a place to get accurate, up-to-date information on health care code compliance issues. We rely on NOSHE member's expertise, and ASHE members who participate in committees, task forces, and advisory groups for a wide variety of code- and guidance-setting bodies, including NFPA, the Joint Commission, CDC, FGI, and OSHA, among others. With those contacts and close ties, where better to get straight answers to the hard questions? You can email NOSHE as attached or use the National ASHE "Just Ask ASHE" your primary source for honest, accurate, and clear information on code requirements and expectations.

How do I Ask NOSHE?

Provide as much specific information as possible, so we can provide you with a specific answer. We will then get to work to find the right person with the right answer to your question.

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Please email twhitehead@whgardiner and put NOSHE Advocacy in the email subject line to get started with answering your question.

How do I Ask ASHE?

Or use the following link
<http://www.ashe.org/advocacy/highway>
and utilize Just Ask ASHE if the question needs to consider an answer from multiple chapters (or has national implications). In the complex, confusing, contradictory world of health care code compliance, there is a single place to go to tap into a world of knowledge—Just Ask ASHE.

Note: This service is not intended to replace your occasional need for health care consultants, planners, or design engineers. Organization-specific questions will not be accepted.

Not sure whether your question falls under this heading? Go ahead and ask; if it does, we will let you know.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Join NOSHE at the following 2014 events

Thursday, January 9- Annual Conference Committee Planning Meeting
Friday, February 28- LEAN Program
Thursday, April 10- IFMA- Reinventing Healthcare Delivery Model
Friday, May 16- Annual Conference
Sunday, August 3-7 ASHE Symposium (Chicago)
Week of August 4 (evening)- Social Event
September- Education Program- TBD
Friday, September 26- OSHFM Conference (Columbus)
November- Education Program - TBD

Watch for additional details.

REMINDER:

NOSHE Annual 2014 Membership Dues are currently due.
Dues can be paid online at:

www.NOSHE.org